

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS AUXILIARY



WISCONSIN VETERANS ASSISTANCE

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EMERGENCY & DISASTER

This fund is available to any Wisconsin VFW and/or Auxiliary member in good standing who has sustained a residential property loss in excess \$5,000. The application is easy to complete, and is available on www.wivfwaux.org website. The form must be completed within 30 days of the disaster and submitted to Lee Otto, whose name and address is on the form. As of today, the VFW has received \$4,510 in donations and has helped 6 veterans or auxiliary members for a total of \$4,500. Most of these claims were related to recent flooding in the state and one case of hail damage. As you can see by these numbers, donations have barely kept up with expenditures. If your auxiliary has not yet donated to this fund, please do so now if you are able. Donations should be earmarked "E&D", made payable to VFW-WI and sent to VFW Headquarters at P. O. Box 6128, Monona, WI 53716-6128. You never know when a disaster will strike and this fund could be depleted. Thank you to those auxiliaries that have donated. Please let me know when your auxiliary donates to be eligible for prize drawings at convention. So far I have only heard from 5 Auxiliaries.

WISCONSIN UNMET NEEDS

Again, let me emphasize, this is not the National Unmet Needs program. This is a **Wisconsin** program for any Wisconsin veteran or veteran's family who is in financial need. It could be their rent is due and they can't pay, or their car needs fixing, or their utilities have been shut off due to nonpayment, or a myriad of other reasons that they need help. This program is set up to help those in need within 48 hours to a week or two, depending on many circumstances. Applications are available on www.wivfwaux.org website and are available from all County Veteran Service Officers. These CVSOs also are available to assist in completing the application. As of today, the VFW has received \$10,391.24 in donations and has disbursed \$10,823.30 in funds to help 13 veterans. As you can see by these numbers, donations have not quite kept up to the funds disbursed. If your auxiliary has not yet donated to this program, please do so now so that we can help as many veterans as possible when they are in need. Again, I thank those auxiliaries who have donated and especially those who have notified me of their donation. Donations should be earmarked "WI Unmet Needs", made payable to VFW-WI and sent to VFW Headquarters at P. O. Box 6128, Monona, WI 53716-6128. DO NOT make checks payable to me and DO NOT send checks to me. Send me a notice of your donation to be eligible for prizes at convention So far I have only heard from 5 Auxiliaries.

Thank you for all you do in **Reaching for the Stars for Veterans.**

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